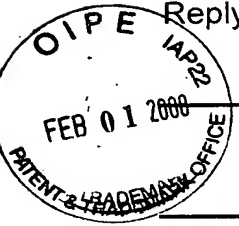


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This Reply is responsive to the final Office Action dated November 27, 2007, a reply to which is due February 27, 2008. A Request for Continued Examination is filed herewith. Reconsideration and reexamination of this application are requested respectfully in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 14 of this paper.